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## Wyoming Board of Agriculture to meet in Douglas

The Wyoming Board of Agriculture will meet Friday, August 17 at the Wyoming State Fairgrounds in Douglas.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. in the Wyoming State Fair Conference Room and will adjourn by 11:15 a.m. During the meeting, the Board will meet the new State Conservationist, Xavier Montoya, as well as the new State Veterinarian, Dr. Walter Cook, and Assistant State Veterinarian, Dr. Jim Logan. They will also hear water quality requests from conservation districts, hear presentations from the Wyoming Department of Agriculture summer interns, and discuss the PRCA rodeo and 4-H Congress.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting.

After the meeting, the Board will attend the Living Legacy Dedication Ceremony in front of the Wyoming State Fair Director's Office at 1:30 p.m. Living Legacy is a program where people can purchase trees to replace old ones at the Wyoming State Fair Park. For more information contact Muff Parker at (307) 777-6569. The annual dedication ceremony honors those who have contributed to the program.

Board of Agriculture members are appointed by the Governor and serve four-year terms. The Board members include: Jack Corson, Garrett; Gene Hardy, Douglas; Jim Mickelson, Big Piney; Dave Graham, Moorcroft; Juan Reyes, Wheatland; Joe Thomas, Meeteetse; Jim Bennage, Sheridan; Patrick Zimmerer, Huntley; and Dalin Winters, Otto.

The Board of Agriculture is soliciting applications for the four youth board positions. The youth advisory committee members each represent one of four quadrants of the state. Members are primarily engaged in agricultural careers, and range from ages 18 to 30.

To obtain a youth board application or for more information about the meeting or the Living Legacy program, please contact Muff Parker at (307) 777-6569.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, special assistance or alternate formats will be made available for individuals with disabilities upon request in advance of the meeting.

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